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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Attorney Docket No.: OGOH:122A
Date: September 16, 2003

Prior Application:

Examiner: <u>Unassigned</u>
Group Art Unit: <u>2183</u>



Sir:

This is a

- [] Continued Prosecution Application (CPA) under 37 CFR §1.53(d);
- [] Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR §1.114 (prosecution of the application is closed in the sense of 37 CFR §1.114(b));
- [x] Continuation Application (parent not abandoned) under 37 CFR §1.53(b);
- [] Divisional Application (parent being abandoned) under 37 CFR §1.53(d);

of pending prior application Serial No. 10/204,914, filed February 10, 2003

for [Title as filed]: IDENTIFICATION CODE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM FOR HOME NETWORK

[Amended Title]: <u>same</u>

by [Inventors]: Reiko UENO and Yasuyuki SHINTANI

- 1. [x] A copy of the prior application is attached. This copy comprises a true copy of the prior application as filed (specification, claims, drawings, declaration). No amendments referred to in the declaration (if any) filed to complete the prior application introduced new matter therein.
- 2. [] Abandon said prior application as of the filing date accorded this application.

3. [x] The filing fee is calculated below:

- 4. [x] A check in the amount of \$1,170.00 is enclosed (CK# 10905). THE COMMISSIONER IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE ANY OTHER FEES WHICH MAY BE REQUIRED OR CREDIT ANY OVERPAYMENT TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 160331.
- 5. [x] Cancel in this application claims 2-17 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. At least one independent claim is retained for filing purposes.
- 6. [x] Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:
 - --This is a continuation of application Serial No. 10/204,914 filed February 10, 2003 which in turn is a National Stage of PCT/JP00/09365 filed December 17, 2000.--
- 7. [] Please enter in the present application the Amendment Under 37 CFR \$1.116 with any attachments filed on in said prior application which was not entered therein.
- 8. [] Priority of foreign application(s) No., filed; in is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.
 - [] The certified copy was filed in prior application No. on .
 - [] A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application is filed herewith.
- 9. [x] The prior application is assigned of record to <u>MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC</u> INDUSTRIAL CO., LTD. Recorded at Reel <u>013390</u>, Frame <u>0134</u>.

- 10. [x] The power of attorney in the prior application is to Roger W. Parkhurst, Registration No. 25,177 and Charles A. Wendel, Registration No. 24,453:
 - [x] a. The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.
 - [] b. Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
 - [x] c. Address all future communications to

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- 11. [x] An Application Data Sheet is enclosed herewith.
- 12. [x] A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed herewith.
- 13. [x] An Information Disclosure Statement is enclosed herewith.
- 14. [x] This application is not entitled to Small Entity Status.
- 15. [] A Petition for -Month Extension of Time is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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